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Date: **November 15, 2001**
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor(s): **Adolf Zajber and Thomas Fest**

FOR: **DUMMY BAR FOR A CONTINUOUS METAL CASTING PLANT, PARTICULARLY
FOR A CONTINUOUS CASTING PLANT FOR PRELIMINARY STEEL SECTIONS**

ENCLOSED ARE:

- (X) Specification (11 pages), Claims (3 pages/10 claims) & Abstract;
- (X) One (1) sheet of Drawing; (Figure 1)
- (X) Declaration and Power of Attorney; **UNSIGNED**
- () Assignment to SMS Demag Aktiengesellschaft;
- () Certified copy of GermanPat.Appli.No: 100 56 911.0 filed Nov. 16, 2000
the priority of which is claimed under 35 USC 119;
- () Small Entity Status is being claimed. (37 CFR 1.9 & 1.27);
- (X) Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and 1 reference;

THE FILING FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:

	Claims filed	Extra	SMALL ENTITY	or	LARGE ENTITY
Basic Fee			\$ 370.00		\$ 740.00
Total Claims	10	-20=	x \$ 9.=	x	\$ 18.=
Indep. Claims	1	- 3=	x \$ 42.=	x	\$ 84.=
() Multiple Dependent Claim Presented?			x \$140.=	x	\$280.=

Respectfully submitted

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